

JANUARY 26, 2005 MEETING

374 HALL OF ADMINISTRATION

MINUTES

Commissioners Present

Renée Campbell, President
Steven Afriat, Vice President
Diana Wood, Secretary
James Barger
Martha Molina-Aviles

County Representatives

Jonathan Geller, County Counsel
Steven Jimenez, Treasurer Tax
Alex Garcia, Regional Planning
Sandra Rojas, Regional Planning
Jose Rubio, Regional Planning
Veronica Gilles-Kinney, Health Department

Commission Services Staff

Steven Erickson
Lee Millen
Nyla Jefferson
Ernestina Osuna
Gabriel Alexander

CALL TO ORDER

President Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Applicants and witnesses were sworn to testify truthfully and interpreters were sworn to translate truthfully.

MINUTES:

ACTION TAKEN: MINUTES of January 19, 2005 – Approved.

Motion: Commissioner Wood, seconded by
Commissioner Barger

Vote: Unanimously carried

DISCUSSION ON NUMBER OF COMMISSION MEETINGS TO SCHEDULE

(Vice President Afriat joined the meeting).

Commissioner Barger reported on an e-mail from Jonathan Geller, County Counsel, and suggested that the Commission consider meeting less frequently, noting this is permitted in the County Code.

President Campbell stated that meeting once a month may be too infrequent considering the Commission's calendar.

Vice President Afriat suggested meeting twice a month on a trial basis, then agendizing the matter.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission amended its bylaws and procedures to reflect County Code with regard to meeting once a month or more often as necessary.

Motion: Vice President Afriat, seconded by President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission agreed to cancel the February 16, 2005 meeting and effective March 1, 2005 schedule meetings every second and fourth Wednesday of each month until otherwise decided by the Commission. The Commission also requested the Executive Office to make broad and aggressive notifications of the new schedule.

Motion: Vice President Afriat, seconded by President Campbell

Vote: Unanimously carried

MATTERS NOT ON POSTED AGENDA (TO BE PRESENTED AND PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR ACTION AT A FUTURE MEETING): There were none.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDATION TO DENY MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR LICENSE, NO. 4040-117407

- 3b. Sebastian G. Romero
7927 S. Alameda Street
Los Angeles

Alex Garcia, was accompanied by Sandra Rojas, both from Regional Planning. Mr. Garcia reported that this automotive repair business is not in compliance with building and zoning issues. He further reported that the applicant was given a 30-day extension to comply and that the applicant has demonstrated significant progress towards compliance. He requested the Commission to continue the hearing to give the applicant an opportunity to comply with all requirements.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission continued the matter to March 23, 2005 pending a progress report from Regional Planning and a report from the City of Los Angeles.

Motion: Commissioner Molina-Aviles, seconded by Commissioner Barger

Vote: Unanimously carried

**PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDATION TO DENY AUTO REPAIR BUSINESS
LICENSE ID # 130037**

(President Campbell was excused from the meeting.)

- 3c. Jose Olmedo
4722 Floral Drive
Los Angeles

After being advised of his right to an attorney, the applicant agreed to proceed with the hearing.

Steven Jimenez, Treasurer Tax, reported on the recommended denial to issue a new license received from Regional Planning. He introduced Jose Rubio, Regional Planning, who explained the department's recommendation to deny.

Jose Rubio, Regional Planning Zoning Enforcement Section, reported on the currently required development standards with county regulations and compliance standards. He further explained the applicant's efforts at compliance and recommended not denying the new license but that the applicant complete and maintain compliance with all required Regional Planning and Zoning regulations and development standards.

The applicant reported on his type of business, number of employees and business parcel size.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission took Item 3c. off the calendar, pending approval of submitted plot plan, parking requirements and any community resident complaints.

Motion: Commissioner Molina-Aviles, seconded by Commissioner Barger

Vote: Unanimously carried

PUBLIC HEARING ON RECOMMENDATION TO DENY PEDDLER COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE, NO. 0605-128258

(President Campbell was excused from the meeting.)

3a. Felipe R. Hernandez
649 ½ S. Humphreys Ave.
Los Angeles

Steven Jimenez, Treasurer Tax, spoke on the recommended denial of a renewal based on health inspection violations, and reported on the licensing violations. He then explained that the County Health Department can further report on the health inspection violations. He also reported on a public complaint on this matter.

Veronica Gilles-Kinney, County Health Department, reported on the health violations she observed during her assistance on a field health inspection of the applicants' vehicle. She explained that although the applicant has complied with some operational violations, he should be scheduled for another field operational inspection.

Jose Rubio, Regional Planning, reported on the applicant's operational activities within a trailer set on private property.

Philip Greenwald, attorney for the applicant, reported on the mobile catering industry and mobile food preparation units. He also reported on the differences between the operational requirements of a trailer and those of a motorized vehicle. He then discussed some of the alleged violations in the health inspection report.

ACTION TAKEN: The Commission upheld the recommendation to deny the license renewal based on County Health Department Code violations.

Motion: **Commissioner Molina-Aviles, seconded by
Commissioner Barger**

Vote: **Unanimously carried**

ADJOURNMENT: The Commission adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Renée Campbell
President